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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the office action mailed October 12, 2007, setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response which expires on January 12, 2008, please amend said application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.